

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD ACTION ITEM FEBRUARY 2. 2017

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AUTHORIZATION FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENTS BOARD LETTER

In a series of actions since 1999, the Board of Supervisors has approved initiatives to redesign and implement an expanded continuum of comprehensive behavioral health services for children, adolescents, transition age youth, adults, older adults and families. In pursuit of these initiatives, the Board of Supervisors approved the procurement of contracted services.

Long-term residential care provides a highly specialized level of care for some of the most seriously mentally ill residents of San Diego County, and is an important alternative to hospitalization in State facilities. This population in San Diego County has been growing in numbers and in need, and this item would ensure that appropriate level-of-care facilities continue to be available.

This item would authorize the continuation of single source contracts to deliver behavioral health services in five long-term care programs providing 24-hour services for clients with serious mental illness. The five providers are:

- Alpine Special Treatment Center, Inc.
- Changing Options, Inc.
- KF Community Care dba Community Care Center for Adult Mental Health Rehabilitation Services
- SunBridge Braswell Enterprises, Inc., dba Sierra Vista
- Telecare Corporation dba Garfield Neurological Health Center

These providers have all of the required licenses and certifications required by the Department of Health Care Services and the Department of Public Health and are in good standing with the State. This authority would ensure these highly specialized residential programs continue to be available without interruption in service provision.

It is, THEREFORE, staff's recommendation that the Board support the continuation of single-source contracts for an additional five option years for these five 24-hour residential mental health programs for clients with serious mental illness.